

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

CLAIMS

Claims 1-8 (cancelled).

Claim 9. (currently amended): A system for providing road construction information to vehicle on-board telematics systems comprising:

at least one telemetric system in a vehicle, said telemetric system displaying map information;

a central information gathering location for gathering road construction information for vehicle routes, said road construction information being at least partially supplied by a government agency;

a means for providing said road construction information to said telematics system from said central location, [~~whereby~~] wherein said telematics system displays said road construction information [~~along with said~~] and map information.

Claim 10. (previously presented): The system of claim 9 wherein said means for providing said road construction information to said telematics systems is wireless.

Claim 11. (currently amended): The system of [~~claim 10 wherein said wireless means is cellular telephone.~~] claim 9 wherein said construction information is displayed on said map information.

Claim 12. (previously presented): The system of claim 10 wherein said wireless means is a local area network.

Claim 13. (previously presented): The system of claim 9 wherein said road construction information further contains information on number of lanes affected.

Claim 14. (previously presented): The system of claim 9 wherein said road construction information further contains information on construction work times.

Claim 15. (previously presented): The system of claim 9 wherein a fee is charged for said road construction information.

Claim 16. (previously presented): The system of claim 15 wherein said fee is a periodic subscription fee.

Claim 17. (currently amended): A method of providing for wide area trip planning with a telemetrics system located in a vehicle comprising the steps of:

receiving road construction information from at least one governmental agency for a plurality of routes;

transmitting said road construction information system to said telemetrics system;

causing said road construction information to be displayed in a vehicle [~~in a map format wherein said map format shows where said construction is,~~] and causing map information to be displayed in the vehicle wherein said construction information includes number of lanes affected and times when said lanes are affected by said construction.

Claim 18. (previously presented): The method of claim 17 wherein said times include work start and stop times.

Claim 19. (previously presented): The method of claim 17 wherein the step of transmitting is by cellular telephone.

Claim 20. (previously presented): The method of claim 17 further comprising said telemetrics system presenting information relating to said road construction in text form.

Claim 21. (currently amended): A system for long distance trip planning comprising a computer, a storage device, and a communications sub-system wherein said computer receives reports of road construction sites through said communications sub-system and stores said reports in said storage device, said computer then ~~[producing wide-area inter-city route maps for long distance trip planning showing said road construction sites along major highways between cities, said system also displaying information about each road construction site relating to lane closures and work hours.]~~ displaying map information and construction information.

Claim 22. (previously presented): The system of claim 21 wherein said computer is mounted in a vehicle.

Claim 22. (previously presented): The system of claim 21 wherein said communications sub-system includes cellular telephone.